

## **CT LIVER Tumor Ablation LETTER-**

You have been scheduled to have a CT GUIDED TUMOR ABLATION on the following date and time:

Come to the McGuire VAMC Richmond at 9 AM the **DAY BEFORE** the procedure.  
Please report to 2E nursing station for Pre Anesthesia Screening.  
After the completion of the screening, please go to Central Registration: 1<sup>st</sup> floor near main entrance for your hospital room assignment.

CANCELLATION: If you are not able to keep this appointment, you must call (804) 675-5237. Cancellation may lead to delay in your treatment.

PLEASE READ THIS LETTER CAREFULLY. IT CONTAINS VERY IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR CT EXAM.

If you are on any of the **following blood thinning medications**, please **follow the instructions**:

Plavix (clopidogrel): Hold it 5 days prior to procedure

Aspirin: Hold it 5 days prior to procedure. If you are also on Plavix, hold aspirin for 1 day.

Lovenox (Enoxaparin): Hold it 1 day prior to procedure

Coumadin (Warfarin): Adjust your dose according to your doctor/Coumadin clinic.

If you are on blood thinning medication not mentioned above please call (804) 675-5235.

IF YOU WEIGH OVER **660 POUNDS**, PLEASE CALL (804) 675-5235.

For information about the Radiofrequency ablation please visit the website:

[www.radiologyinfo.org](http://www.radiologyinfo.org)

After the ablation, you will return to the ward for observation and management overnight. Your anticipated discharge will be the day after the procedure.

We appreciate having this opportunity to serve you!

Radiology Service

H. H. McGuire VA Medical Center

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